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Camden Barlow, Inmate # 11897-003  
Name and Prisoner/Booking NumberUnited States Penitentiary Lewisburg  
Place of ConfinementP.O. Box 1000  
Mailing AddressLewisburg, Pa. 17837  
City, State, Zip Code

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**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**Camden Barlow, et al.  
(Full Name of Plaintiff) Plaintiff,

vs.

CASE NO.

1:18cv716  
(To be supplied by the Clerk)(1) Warden David J. Ebbert of Lewisburg USP  
(Full Name of Defendant)(2) SES Officer Buebendorf of Lewisburg USP(3) Officer/Counselor Tharp of Lewisburg USP(4)

Defendant(s).

☐ Check if there are additional Defendants and attach page 1-A listing them.**CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLAINT  
BY A PRISONER**☒ Original Complaint☐ First Amended Complaint☐ Second Amended Complaint**A. JURISDICTION**

1. This Court has jurisdiction over this action pursuant to:

☐ 28 U.S.C. § 1343(a); 42 U.S.C. § 1983☒ 28 U.S.C. § 1331; Bivens v. Six Unknown Federal Narcotics Agents, 403 U.S. 388 (1971).☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_2. Institution/city where violation occurred: United States Penitentiary Lewisburg / Lewisburg, Pa.

**B. DEFENDANTS**

1. Name of first Defendant: David J. Ebbert. The first Defendant is employed as:  
Complex Warden at Lewisburg USP.  
(Position and Title) (Institution)
2. Name of second Defendant: (First Name unknown) Beubendorf. The second Defendant is employed as:  
Special Institutional Security Officer at Lewisburg USP.  
(Position and Title) (Institution)
3. Name of third Defendant: (First Name unknown) Tharp. The third Defendant is employed as:  
Correctional Officer and Counselor of B-block at Lewisburg USP.  
(Position and Title) (Institution)
4. Name of fourth Defendant: \_\_\_\_\_. The fourth Defendant is employed as:  
\_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Position and Title) (Institution)

If you name more than four Defendants, answer the questions listed above for each additional Defendant on a separate page.

**C. PREVIOUS LAWSUITS**

1. Have you filed any other lawsuits while you were a prisoner? ☐ Yes ☒ No
2. If yes, how many lawsuits have you filed? \_\_\_\_\_. Describe the previous lawsuits:
  - a. First prior lawsuit:
    1. Parties: \_\_\_\_\_ v. \_\_\_\_\_
    2. Court and case number: \_\_\_\_\_
    3. Result: (Was the case dismissed? Was it appealed? Is it still pending?) \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. Second prior lawsuit:
    1. Parties: \_\_\_\_\_ v. \_\_\_\_\_
    2. Court and case number: \_\_\_\_\_
    3. Result: (Was the case dismissed? Was it appealed? Is it still pending?) \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. Third prior lawsuit:
    1. Parties: \_\_\_\_\_ v. \_\_\_\_\_
    2. Court and case number: \_\_\_\_\_
    3. Result: (Was the case dismissed? Was it appealed? Is it still pending?) \_\_\_\_\_

If you filed more than three lawsuits, answer the questions listed above for each additional lawsuit on a separate page.

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**COUNT II**

1. State the constitutional or other federal civil right that was violated: 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment Right to redress Grievances.

2. **Count II.** Identify the issue involved. Check **only one**. State additional issues in separate counts.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Basic necessities             | <input type="checkbox"/> Mail             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Access to the court | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disciplinary proceedings      | <input type="checkbox"/> Property         | <input type="checkbox"/> Exercise of religion           | <input type="checkbox"/> Retaliation  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excessive force by an officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Threat to safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____                   |                                       |

3. **Supporting Facts.** State as briefly as possible the FACTS supporting Count II. Describe exactly what each Defendant did or did not do that violated your rights. State the facts clearly in your own words without citing legal authority or arguments.

Please refer to the attached document titled "Complaint"

4. **Injury.** State how you were injured by the actions or inactions of the Defendant(s).

We are being refused access to legal forms necessary to file, being refused legal paperwork access, being unable to retrieve copies, having legal work seized, etc. Refer to attached "Complaint"

5. **Administrative Remedies.**

- Are there any administrative remedies (grievance procedures or administrative appeals) available at your institution? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- Did you submit a request for administrative relief on Count II? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- Did you appeal your request for relief on Count II to the highest level? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If you did not submit or appeal a request for administrative relief at any level, briefly explain why you did not. Refer to Number 4 above and the attached "Complaint"

**COUNT III**

1. State the constitutional or other federal civil right that was violated: Discrimination

2. **Count III.** Identify the issue involved. Check **only one**. State additional issues in separate counts.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Basic necessities             | <input type="checkbox"/> Mail             | <input type="checkbox"/> Access to the court  | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Disciplinary proceedings      | <input type="checkbox"/> Property         | <input type="checkbox"/> Exercise of religion   | <input type="checkbox"/> Retaliation  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Excessive force by an officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Threat to safety | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u>Purposeful segregation for discrimination</u> |                                       |

3. **Supporting Facts.** State as briefly as possible the FACTS supporting Count III. Describe exactly what each Defendant did or did not do that violated your rights. State the facts clearly in your own words without citing legal authority or arguments.

Please refer to the document attached titled "Complaint"

4. **Injury.** State how you were injured by the actions or inactions of the Defendant(s).

In so many ways, unable to access mail, unable to access the courts, violations of the law and our rights, etc...  
Please refer to attached "Complaint"

5. **Administrative Remedies.**

- Are there any administrative remedies (grievance procedures or administrative appeals) available at your institution? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- Did you submit a request for administrative relief on Count III? ☒ Yes ☐ No
- Did you appeal your request for relief on Count III to the highest level? ☐ Yes ☒ No
- If you did not submit or appeal a request for administrative relief at any level, briefly explain why you did not. We have tried to file on all this and have been stone-walled in many areas. Please refer to attached "Complaint"

If you assert more than three Counts, answer the questions listed above for each additional Count on a separate page. 

Please refer to the attached "Complaint"  
for the other counts. Thank You.

**E. REQUEST FOR RELIEF**

State the relief you are seeking:


We ask that the court accept and order the Temporary Restraining Order/Injunctive Relief requested herewith, provide a Declaratory order that the Plaintiffs have had their Constitutional rights violated, that the court consider the attached motion to proceed as a Class Action, that the violations that are on-going to cease, and any and all additional relief that this court deems just, proper, and equitable. We ask that the court provide us the ability to amend this complaint if the court accepts this action as a Bivens action so that we can adjust claims and prayers for relief accordingly to fit a Bivens suit and not a 2241 Writ of Habeas Corpus, as was originally filed. Refer to attached "Complaint"

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
DATE

  
SIGNATURE OF PLAINTIFF

Nathan A. Bailey Imate #11897-003  
(Name and title of paralegal, legal assistant, or  
other person who helped prepare this complaint)

  
(Signature of attorney, if any)

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(Attorney's address & telephone number)

**ADDITIONAL PAGES**

All questions must be answered concisely in the proper space on the form. If you need more space, you may attach no more than fifteen additional pages. But the form must be completely filled in to the extent applicable. If you attach additional pages, be sure to identify which section of the complaint is being continued and number all pages.

In The United States District Court  
For The Middle District of Pennsylvania

Camden Barlow, Christopher Alvarez, Justin Haynes,  
Darryl Taylor, Tabarus Holland, Terrell Wilson,  
Tony C. Knott, Agustin Argueta, Douglas Piggee,  
and Nathan A. Bailey (The Acting Correspondent  
Plaintiffs)

Civil Action No:

Vs.

Complaint and Writ of Habeas Corpus  
Pursuant to 28 USC § 2241

Warden David J. Ebbert of Lewisburg USP,  
Special Institution Security Officer Buebendorf,  
of Lewisburg USP, and  
Counselor Tharp (Counselor for B-block)  
(In their official and individual capacity)  
Defendants

I. Complaint and Writ of Habeas Corpus Pursuant to 28 USC § 2241

① Comes Now, the above Plaintiffs, on this day, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018, acting in concert, union, and asking to be heard jointly humbly presents and requests of this court to accept this Complaint and Writ of Habeas Corpus and the attached declarations of all the Plaintiffs named above as well as any all other motions hereto attached over the matters herein outlined. We have chosen a Writ of Habeas Corpus Pursuant to 28 USC § 2241 as the vehicle in which to approach the courts; however it might not be the correct method. Because every Plaintiffs listed herein, and all other inmates housed specifically in Lewisburg USP and specifically housed in B-block, all are suffering from the same exact constitutional violations by the aforementioned defendants, we figured our approach to the court would garner more strength by acting in concert other than individually. None-the-less, the issues herein outlined are very concerning and requires the attention of the courts; therefore, herein we present our claims.

② Pursuant to 28 USC § 2201 and 2202, the Plaintiffs seek Declaratory Relief and under 28 USC § 1391 (b)(2) does the Middle District of Pennsylvania have jurisdiction and is the proper venue since it is where the events giving rise to this complaint occurred. By and through such statutes and rules does the Plaintiffs contend that this court is the proper venue and has the proper jurisdiction and authority to hear and adjudicate all matters contained herein. Therefore we pray the court ~~and~~ hears our pleas and offers us relief.

## II Plaintiffs

- ③ The Plaintiff, Camden Barlow, Inmate # 30222-057, is and was at all times mentioned herein a prisoner of the United States, in the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons (FBOP), and is currently being housed at Lewisburg United States Penitentiary (USP); specifically in cell # 217.
- ④ The Plaintiff, Christopher Alvarez, Inmate # 26024-380, is and was at all times mentioned herein a prisoner of the United States, in the custody of the FBOP, and is currently being housed at Lewisburg USP; specifically in B-block, currently in cell # 219.
- ⑤ The Plaintiff, Justin Haynes, Inmate # 27511-064, is and was at all times mentioned herein a prisoner of the United States, in the custody of the FBOP, and is currently being housed at Lewisburg USP; specifically in B-block, currently in cell # 209.
- ⑥ The Plaintiff, Darryl Taylor, Inmate # 43373-037, is and was at all times mentioned herein a prisoner of the United States, in the custody of the FBOP, and is currently being housed at Lewisburg USP; specifically in B-block, currently in cell # 224.
- ⑦ The Plaintiff, Tabacus Holland, Inmate # 95307-020, is and was at all times mentioned herein a prisoner of the United States, in the custody of the FBOP, and is currently being housed at Lewisburg USP; specifically in B-block, currently in cell # 224.
- ⑧ The Plaintiff, Terrell Wilson, Inmate # 49385-007, is and was at all times mentioned herein a prisoner of the United States, in the custody of the FBOP, and is currently being housed at Lewisburg USP; specifically in B-block, currently in cell # 203.
- ⑨ The Plaintiff, Tony C. Knott, Inmate # 33552-007, is and was at all times mentioned herein a prisoner of the United States, in the custody of the FBOP, and is currently being housed at Lewisburg USP; specifically in B-block, currently in cell # 228.
- ⑩ The Plaintiff, Agustin Argueta, Inmate # 33921-007, is and was at all times mentioned herein a prisoner of the United States, in the custody of the FBOP, and is currently being housed at Lewisburg USP; specifically in B-block, currently in cell # 212.
- ⑪ The Plaintiff, Douglas Piggee, Inmate # 06845-097, is and was at all times mentioned herein a prisoner of the United States, in the custody of the FBOP, and is currently being housed at Lewisburg USP; specifically in B-block, currently in cell # 220.
- ⑫ The Plaintiff, Nathan A. Railey, Inmate # 11897-003, is and was at all times mentioned herein a prisoner of the United States, in the custody of the FBOP, and is currently being housed at Lewisburg USP; specifically in B-block, currently in cell # 213. He is the acting "correspondent" of the actions contained herein and acts as the



"Agent" and/or "voice" of the group of Plaintiffs herein listed.

### III. Defendants

⑬ The Defendant, David J. Ebbert, whom is the acting Warden over Lewisburg USP under the authority vested in him by the FBOP. He over-sees and administers over all Policy and Procedures therein. We move against his official capacity and his individual capacity.

⑭ The Defendant, Officer Buebendorf, whom is acting Special Institutional Security (SIS) at Lewisburg USP under the authority vested in him by the Warden David J. Ebbert, through the FBOP. He is responsible for all investigations and monitoring of inmates, specifically the mail in regards to the claims contained herein. We move against his official capacity and his individual capacity.

⑮ The Defendant, Officer Tharp, whom is acting Counselor for all of B-black at Lewisburg USP under the authority vested in him by the Warden David J. Ebbert, through the FBOP. He is responsible for many duties pertaining to inmates receiving legal paperwork and is specifically responsible for providing the necessary forms for the Administrative Remedy process. We move against his official capacity and his individual capacity.

⑯ Any and all officers not listed herein at Lewisburg USP under the delegated authority of Warden David J. Ebbert under the FBOP that can be shown to have in anyway contributed to the herein outlined violations of the Plaintiffs' Constitutional Rights will be added and amended to this action hence forth.

### IV. Factual History

⑰ Each Plaintiff listed hereon is a federal prisoner and is currently being housed in Lewisburg USP and is in specific participation of the Secured Mental Health Step Down Program (herein after referred to as the "SMU" program). The SMU Program is a program devised by the FBOP to specifically manage inmates that have an issue of disciplinary infractions. It is a very specific program designed to assist the mental health needs of the inmates participating and as such, has very specific security protocols in place to manage such.

⑱ The inmates are housed in a Special Housing Unit-type (SMU) manner. Meaning, the Plaintiffs are locked down in a cell 23 hours a day, with one hour of rec, also in a secured cage. The inmates are given Special Mental Health Programming Packets to complete within their cells and are mandatory to complete to exit the program. The program takes 9 months at the very minimum to complete plus time for transfer to another institution. In effect, the Plaintiffs will spend at a minimum of a year confined in the manner aforementioned.

⑲ It is well understood that prolonged durations of secluded confinement contribute to significant psychological and mental complications in inmates. So much so that specifically the SMU Program had been changed to have a limited time frame by which one can complete the program, which is two years. This issue is so

significant that even President Obama addressed ~~the~~ the issue of long durations of lockdown and segregation. The Plaintiffs state this as fact because, it is a factor when considering the matters contained herein. Our privileges and rights have been significantly reduced to the lowest factor, limiting our abilities on everything from simple movement in our confined spaces to access of information and correspondence to our families and friends. Our mental health is at the utmost concern in this litigation as well as the rights that guarantee our ability to retain such.

(20) As part of the security measures of any penal institution, certain procedures are enacted to ensure institutional security. One of these measures is the institution's ability to inspect and review incoming and outgoing mail. This measure of inspection is an agreement from the inmates to the institution to allow such, otherwise inmates will not be allowed the right of correspondence by mail. This agreement is made by and through the use of form BP-A407, wherein the only options are to allow inspection of incoming and outgoing mail or to have it forwarded elsewhere; thereby, limiting your right to correspondence. The contents of this very form/contractual agreement (BP-A407) is provided in Program Statement 5265.14 and codified in 28 CFR 5540 and is the very BOP Program Statement and codified law in the issue at hand. It should be understood that all the Plaintiffs herein have agreed to this method of mail inspection only and that no other contractual agreements have been signed or agreed to in regards to any other security measures taken upon the mail correspondence.

(21) It should be noted that we would provide an exhibit of the form mentioned herein but the attainment of certain materials, legal or otherwise, from the Unit Counselor Tharp or from the management of Lewisburg Prison has been purposely denied as will be outlined in the claims section and is one of the very issues concerning the actions contained herein.

(22) Even though inmates are being housed in the Sma Program under these harsh security measures, they retain the right to access the courts by and through an Administrative Remedy process, that once exhausted, allows reproachment through the federal courts wherein said remedy and petitions can be adjudicated further. This is one of many Constitutional Rights that are inherent and absolute for all prisoners.

(23) All prisoners also retain the right of due process of law under the 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment, and generally are held to standards provided in *Wolff v. McDonnell* 418 U.S. 539 (1974) and *Sandin v. Conner* 515 U.S. 472 (1995). Since the Plaintiffs will be claiming "atypical and significant hardship" separate from those of other inmates and that we have a "liberty interest" in avoiding said hardship, we felt the ~~necessity~~<sup>necessity</sup> to specifically mention this Constitutional Right as fact.

(24) Furthermore, and lastly, we, the Plaintiffs, understand that in lieu of the many security con-

cerns in the administration of a penal institution that security measures must from time to time be changed accordingly to ensure proper institutional safety and that the Warden alone has a limited authority in addressing these matters and adjusting security measures and protocols of an institution, as a whole, to ensure said institutional safety and security as per BOP Program Policy. These measures would understandably be more concerning in respects to Lewisburg USP in that it houses and operates the SMU Program and all it entails and encompasses.

(25) These are the facts as we, the Plaintiffs, believe and understand them to be and supply them in "good faith" that this is indeed as we understand. We also ask for the court's patience and understanding in regards to our actions in this legal recourse; in that, we are limited in our access to legal materials and our understandings of this legal process. We are doing what we are able in our legal capacities. We only ask that though our actions will be liberally construed, that any and all rights not herein supplied nor defined not be unrequitted but implied and utilized in the furtherance of justice in these matters; for though we have not directly provided said standing, this does not imply that the unstated standing does not exist simply because ignorance to that affect. We ask for the embroement of all legal rights and standings to be implied and adjudicated without ~~an~~ unstated limine.

### II Exhaustion of Remedies

(26) Per the Prisoner Litigation Reform Act (PLRA), 48 USC § 1997(c)(a), "[N]o action shall be brought with respect to prison conditions... by a prisoner confined in any jail, prison, or other correctional facility until such Administrative Remedies as are available are exhausted."

(27) It should be stated here that there are many Plaintiffs seeking the relief requested herein and that it is indeed true that some have managed to instigate the Administrative Remedy procedures as defined by FOPP Policy; therefore it can be presumed that ~~all~~ all the Plaintiffs have not sought out and exhausted all Administrative Remedy Procedures. However, as will be delineated in the "III. Grounds" section, the access to the Administrative Remedy process is being withheld from us by denying access to the necessary forms required to proceed. The reasons why some inmates have manage to instigate the Administrative Remedy process is specifically not from the administration providing said forms; this has come from those that happened to have the forms within thier possession before they were moved to B-block. Counselor Tharp is specifically the one whose job it is to provide said forms and it is precisely his actions, or lack thereof, that is the contributing factor to why we can't exhaust the remedy process and is directly responsible for the Motion of Injunctive Relief and Temporary Restraining Order attached herewith.

(28) It should be considered the very nature of the grounds contained herein, the Declarations provided, and the impact they have on the Constitutional Rights of the Plaintiffs as well as the mental and psychological issues these matters effectuate. The Administration Remedy Process would succumb the Plaintiffs to an extended duration of time

(an estimated 6 months or more for BP-8 thru BP-11) in these conditions and as such will only apply to those issues individually, but as can be shown herein, this is not an individual discriminatory action but applied to a specific group of individuals and is the specific reason we chose to petition the court in this manner. By *Turner v. Burnside*, 541 F.3d 1037, 1085 (11th Cir. 2008), a serious threat of substantial retaliation against an inmate for launching or pursuing a grievance can make the Administrative Remedy unavailable, and by so, makes the requirement of 48 USC § 1997(c)(2) unattainable without threat. In our case, not only is retaliation a factor but we aren't even being provided the necessary forms. We believe that we bring forth to the court the stated urgency as required for a Temporary Restraining Order and a Preliminary Injunction.

(29) However, if in the very least this court should find that this action indeed be premature, that the Administrative Remedy process has not been adequately exhausted, or that this filing fails to meet the necessary criteria required by the court at this time, the Plaintiffs humbly request that the Temporary Restraining Order and/or Preliminary Injunction be considered in the interrum to stop Counselor Tharp from denying us access to the necessary forms and allow our filings to be unimpeded so that we can, at least, exhaust the Administrative Remedy process. We would, secondly, ask that the said relief also dictate the allowance to receive our mail properly as is delineated in the BOP Program Policy under P.S. 5265.14(28 CFR § 540) and P.S. 5800.1 until these matters can be heard in this court.

#### VI. Grounds

(30) Firstly, the Plaintiffs reallege and incorporate by reference paragraphs 17 thru 29 since contained therein are certain facts and references to the claims provided below. The Plaintiffs allege that, though the Declarations that have been provided have varying degrees of reference to the forth coming grounds, all Plaintiffs agree on the grounds hereafter delineated.

(31) Ground #1: The Plaintiffs have all been specifically pulled from other areas or "Blocks" within the Lewisburg Prison and placed in the specific block known as "B-block." By and through this specific segregation has the administration created specifically tailored discriminatory acts under the 14th Amendment, particularly the "Equal Protection Clause," and since these actions are only being applied to this specific group of inmates located on B-block, that these actions constitute discrimination by definition. Thereby do we first claim discrimination against us by the Administration of Lewisburg USP. (see attached "Memorandum of Law" for supporting case law)

(32) Ground #2: Because the methods used in the discrimination herein described, many of our claims are inextricably intertwined since the very methods themselves constitute and warrant a claim. In this second claim, the Plaintiffs allege that they have been placed on "Enhanced Restrictions" upon their incoming and outgoing mail and it is by this action and others, is the discrimination established in ground #1. Upon our movement to B-block we all

received a specific notice that therein described these "Enhanced" procedures. (Please refer to Exhibit "A" here with attached). By being placed on these enhanced restrictions without a disciplinary action or reason do we claim that we have not been afforded due process as defined in the 5<sup>th</sup> Amendment and that a significant liberty interest has thereby been affected. (Please refer to the attached "Memorandum of Law" for case law references and supporting arguments)

(33) Ground #3: The Plaintiffs claim that the Warden has over-stepped his authority in the application of these enhanced restrictions upon mail. As outlined in the notice provided by the administration here at Lewisburg Prison, Program Statement 5265.14 was cited and partially quoted (Review Exhibit "A"). We do not claim that the Warden does not have the authority to apply specific security measures or protocols applied to mail correspondence to the institution as a whole through the procedures outlined in policy on Supplementation Rules being applied institutionally specific. We do, however, believe that the warden cannot tailor conditions to specific individuals or groups of individuals without applying them to the institution as a whole. Regardless, in this claim we state that nowhere in BOP Program Statement does the Warden have the <sup>authority</sup> ~~authority~~ to create protocols as strict as these upon the mail. The very Program Statement that is quoted on the very notice they provided (P.S. 5265.14 - codified @ 28 ~~CFR~~ CFR 540) dictates that the Warden cannot create mail restrictions as strict and harsh as these. (Please refer to the attached "Memorandum of Law" for case law reference and supporting arguments)

(34) Ground #4: The Plaintiffs claim that our 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment Right to, "petition the government for a redress of grievances" is being substantially violated by our inability to obtain the proper legal materials to utilize the Administrative Remedy process. We believe the very act of denial of access to the required forms by BOP Policy to redress grievances is an undeniable "actual injury" in that it allows no method to solve grievances amicably through the BOP provided procedures that in turn allows us to redress an "actual injury" taking place. Applying Turner Tests, the Proconix less-strict standard, or even the Lewis standard is easily reached when you are being allowed no access to the courts. Injury is implied by this very denial.

(35) An example of this denial is found in the Declaration under Justin Haynes wherein he inquired of Counselor Tharp for a BP-8, the first form and step applied in the grievance process under BOP Policy. Counselor Tharp absolutely refused the BP-8 since Haynes stated it was for the new "enhanced restrictions" upon the mail. Haynes had a family member pass away and was denied access to the funeral information and obituary information. What security interest does this serve exactly? The mental duress of losing a loved one is difficult enough, compounded by prolonged housing in lockdown, restrictions upon your grieving process of the family loss by not attaining the funeral information and/or pictures, and now not being able to redress this obvious denial of rights is enough to drive someone to a point of losing fortitude and becoming mentally unstable or belligerent. Haynes argued vehemently with Counselor Tharp and from said argument was Mr. Haynes placed on



paper; meaning all his clothing and bedding was removed and he was given paper clothing and paper bedding. Haynes was dressed in a napkin because he tried to redress an obvious worthy grievance. This does not serve a government or security interest what-so-ever. It is gross and repugnant to any normal human's sensibilities in a person grieving the loss of family. This is only one of many confrontations that the Plaintiffs have had with Counselor Tharp.

(36) As outlined, the issues that led to this motion being drafted encompass well more than just the particular issues being claimed in this action; however, we decided that to approach the court for resolve would be better brought upon a unified front and subsequently, only claims that affect the group as a whole can be offered though the behavior of the administration of Lewisburg suffers from many egregious actions beyond those herein claimed.

(37) What we the Plaintiffs have noticed is that the administration does not wish us to file against the new mail restrictions because they are unjust, undue, and in complete violation of our rights, policy, and even the law! These new restrictions go beyond the scope of the definition of "reasonable" in regards to any administrative effort to ~~protect~~ <sup>protect</sup> security or to provide a security interest to the institution of Lewisburg USP. By the administration denying access to the Administrative Remedy process via refusal to provide the legal necessities (grievance forms) is our 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment right being violated. (Please review attached "Memorandum of Law") This can be construed as "Retaliation" we offer law on this as well.

(38) <sup>Ground</sup> #5: The Plaintiffs claim that this denial of being able to handle their mail violates their right of freedom of speech, association, and expression outlined in the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment. This coincides with due process violations under the interest of property. This limitation upon our mail definitely hinders our family's "freedom of expression" since we can't handle the very mail they handled. You see, something as simple as smelling a perfumed letter or to hold a picture of a loved one or child not seen in years means so much to us in here. Our mental and psychological states are maintained by those moments like our last vestiges of our lives that exist out there in the free world. There's a reason why Policy Statement 5800.1, the "Mail Management Manual," states clearly the procedures in which BOP personal are supposed to take in handling our mail. This shows the care applied to our mail because it is our main means of correspondence to the world.

(39) <sup>We must</sup> provide here that our incoming and outgoing is being delayed significantly, sometimes up to two weeks before being delivered either way, and that's if it is even making it to its destination. This issue has gotten so bad that we are forced to use certified mail and return receipt requests, causing added expenses just to ensure our mail gets delivered. The issue in this regard is that our Counselor (Tharp) simply refuses us everything. We've tried to get anything and everything possible and through Counselor Tharp - the man whose responsibility this is - absolutely refuses us. We sometimes get some other person to slide us something but it's like an unspoken rule to deny us or refer back to Counselor Tharp. It's gotten unbelievably ridiculous! This is why we ask for immediate relief through the Temporary Restraining Order and the Preliminary Injunction! (Review the attached "Memorandum of Law")

(40) Ground #6: The Plaintiffs claim that specifically under Policy Statement 5265.14, which is codified law under 28 CFR 540, and Policy Statement 5800.1, that the Warden, and any under him in which he has given authority, is not only violating our Constitutional Rights but are very clearly breaking the law. The very Policy/Law they quote in their notice is very clear in what "restricted general correspondence" means. It is only to restrict the contacts of an individual. The Warden and those under him are acting outside the "color of the law" and should be held to such. (Please review "Memorandum of Law" for a review of the Policy(s) and Law herein stated)

(41) Ground #7: The Plaintiffs contend that if for some reason that the courts disagree with the grounds herein outlined and believe the Warden, and subordinates, have acted "reasonably" under the Policies and Law as they are currently written, then we believe and claim that the policies thereto are unconstitutionally vague and require amending. The Plaintiffs believe the law is clear on all the matters herein but, if for ignorance or the lack of understanding, this is not so, then we claim that the policies need to be clarified and amended as such to conclusively dictate this fact (See "Memorandum of Law" hereto attached)

### VII Conclusion

(42) In conclusion and support of our claims herein, the Plaintiffs, offer for exhibit as evidence some of our copied mail so the court can see the methods used in these enhanced restrictions. It is important to note the stamp placed on the photocopy of the envelope where it dictates that Policy 5265.14 supports these actions. (See Attached Exhibit "B" and Exhibit "C") If you read the letter to Inmate Nathan Railey from his father, you will directly see correspondence over a specific issue involving the mail where Railey's father was sending a copy of a law book and it was denied from the administration. This further proves this administration's directive in keeping us from the law and the courts. If you review both exhibits, you will notice they shrink the letters to obviously conserve paper. Many times this makes handwritten letters very difficult to read.

(43) We also must mention tactics taken by the administration in other ways to limit our access to the courts and legal material. The law computer is purposely out of paper. I say this because absolutely no one has been able to print their documents while in the law library and carry them out. We can only jot down by hand the research we need. This unbelievably limits our abilities. What the administration does is, when you send something to print, it goes to the print queue, which is a spot in memory that saves the print jobs in order. When the printer is out of paper, the print jobs queue up in order on the print queue but don't print until the printer knows that <sup>there</sup> ~~is~~ paper available. The administration handles this act of filling the paper trays. So, they, after we are back in our cells, go into the law library put the paper in the printer and allow the documents to print out. They then

get the opportunity to peruse through your documents and decide whether you receive them or not. This has happened alot where some people get their print-outs and others don't mysteriously then lo and behold, when the next person goes in the law library, the printer is out of paper once again.

(44) Along with actions as these, we receive notice when they do other actions to limit our abilities. For example, we were told today that we would not be able to buy paper on the store but yet they don't pass out enough for anything at all. They give us like 10 sheets of paper and now they absolutely deny us pens. So far we can still purchase those but how long til they remove that ability too? We didn't claim these issues because we are inherently unable to prove such because our limitations being in Special Housing. They know this and is why they do it. We desperately need your assistance.

(45) Attached hereto, we have provided a Memorandum of Law to support the grounds listed herein. We've also provided a Motion for a Temporary Restraining Order and a Preliminary Injunction and we believe these are absolutely required due to the circumstances we face. If anything we require injunctive relief to stop the administration from hindering our access to the courts. With that we will be able to redress these issues properly through the channels that are supposed to be available. However, considering the very nature of the behaviors being displayed and the absolute disregard and purposeful misconstrual of Policy and the law, the Plaintiffs believe injunctive relief should be applicable to the "Enhanced" mail restrictions as well until the court can further adjudicate these matters.

(46) Also attached hereto you will find a Motion for Consideration that this action be titled a "class action" under Rule 23. Therein you will find the supporting arguments on this request though we are unsure whether something of this nature falls under a Writ of Habeas 28 USC § 2241, and for that ignorance, we apologize. However, we feel that these actions are very concerning and our small amount of 10 inmates is maybe around 10 percent of the total inmates affected that we know of. The sad thing is that this court will most likely receive many other motions over the many other issues happening here beyond those herein listed. Substantial measures must needs be taken.

#### VIII Prayer for Relief

(47) Wherefore, the Plaintiffs respectfully pray that this court enter judgement granting the Plaintiffs:

(48) (1) A Declaration that the acts and omissions herein described through our grounds or otherwise, have indeed violated the Plaintiffs' rights and the Constitution and the laws of the United States.

(49) (2) That the attached Temporary Restraining Order and Preliminary Injunction be considered and issued, ordering the Defendants herein listed, and any and all other not listed employees given authority from the Defendants herein listed, of Lewisburg USP to immediately cease their interference in allowing access to legal material and access to the courts; and to cease immediately these new enhanced mail restrictions and follow the Policy and Law as



it is clearly defined; and to cease any other discriminatory acts being purposely applied to only those inmates that are housed in B-block.

(50) (3) That the court consider the motion of Consideration to allow the Plaintiffs to ~~pro~~ proceed under Rule 23 as a "class action" since these matters affect many more inmates beyond those herein named and we believe this action would justly be applicable to the class as a whole.

(51) (4) And any additional relief that this court deems just, proper, and equitable under the matters herein described.

(52) The Plaintiffs provide all herein in "good faith" and attest that any and all statements and information contained herein are true and accurate to the best of our abilities and subject ourselves under the penalty of perjury in support of such. We humbly request the relief of the courts to the matters contained herein and appreciate any and all time devoted to our resolve. Thank You.

Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018  
(Date)

Respectfully Submitted,

Plaintiffs

Camden Barlow, Inmate # 30222-057

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Certificate of Service

I, Nathan A. Railey, and the Plaintiffs listed herein attest under the penalty of perjury that all statements, motions, documents, etc., herewith are supplied in "good faith" and contain the truth to the best of our abilities. We state that we placed all documents, including this complaint, in the Prison System's mail on March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018, to be delivered to the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania. This was executed at Lewisburg United States Penitentiary.

Respectfully Submitted,

March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
 (Date)

Nathan A. Railey  
 (Signature)

I, Nathan A. Railey, sign this motion, acting as "Agent/Representative" to and "Respondant" for the Plaintiffs listed herein as a whole.

March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Nathan Railey

Inmate #11897-003

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United States District Court

For The Middle District of Pennsylvania

William J. Nealen Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse

235 N. Washington Ave.

P.O. Box 1148

Scranton, Pa. 18501

ATTN: Court Clerk:

Herewith you will find many documents, motions, and a Complaint. The Plaintiffs listed therein wished that the Complaint and attached motions and actions would be filed as a 2241 Writ of Habeas Corpus. However, considering the circumstances delineated therein, we understand that the court may wish to make the complaint and associated documents as a Bivens suit; therefore we attached a Bivens form to this mailing. If the court does deem that this action to be a Bivens action then Camden Barlow, in which his name and info is provided within the Bivens paperwork, would like to make whatever necessary requirements are needed as far as payment, etc., to get this action in front of the court as soon as possible. The matter is urgent. Therefore will you please provide whatever necessary forms are needed for this? Also please provide the rules of the court for future reference.

It also should be noted that these documents we sent the court are the originals and we have not been able to get copies of such. This is one of the many matters contained therein. Our mail correspondence is the main issue in the filings herewith and we ask that the court please hold these papers until we get whatever is required of the court (i.e. payment, etc.) Sending them back to us can be detrimental to our case since our mail correspondence is the issue being moved upon. If the court sends any letters to the Plaintiffs, the envelopes must be stamped "Special Mail: Open in the presence of the inmate" due to 28 CFR 540.18-540.19. Otherwise the prison will open, read, and apply the illegal "enhanced restrictions" on correspondence discussed within our actions. If you do not do this, we cannot guarantee that we will even



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NOTICE OF ENHANCED RESTRICTIONS  
ON INCOMING GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

Effective immediately, you are being placed on enhanced restricted General Correspondence. Until further notice, you receive a photocopy of your incoming general correspondence. The original will be maintained for 60 days and then destroyed. Personal photographs will be stored in your property.

Per Program Statement 5265.14, Correspondence, "[t]he Warden shall establish and exercise controls to protect individuals, and the security, discipline, and good order of the institution. The size, complexity, and security level of the institution, the degree of sophistication of the inmates confined, and other variables require flexibility in correspondence procedures."

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TACOMA WA 98147

Exhibit "B"

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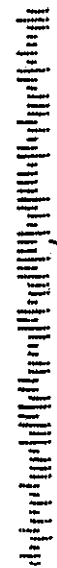
NATHAN RAILEY

REGISTER # 11897-003

UNITED STATES PENITENTIARY

P.O. BOX 1000

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USP LEWISBURG SMU

Hi son

Going to try to write you and send some more of the book it is the index stuff that is all is left. I'm a little confuse the book I have been sending is the book on the law of negotiable instruments and you are asking me for it have I got the wrong thing any let know and will try again if that not what you want. I also received a letter from Robert and I was glad I got it and im sure you are too. Will be sending it with this mail. I also sent 150.00 more and hope that will keep you in money for a while when you run short let me know I will try and keep up this time. Yes I did receive the letter tell me about Valerie and the book redemption manual and I had got the book yet so I wont be looking for that scents Valerie as got for you. Im glad that Valerie and Rossales are on broad now and will help me as for as looking up books. I was thinking about investing incrypto-currency glad I did im sure there stock took a nose dive but any way I don't know much about the stock market will have to wait tell you get out of that great place you are in. Sorry you got rejected but you know how they are there so it should not surprise you. Do what you have to do just cause your self trouble I wont you out as some as possible. I'm only busy of and on not pushing it the government is trying to shut down and it dose mess with my pay check so I witch they would settle this bullshit and get on with life. By the way I did tell Valerie to send 50 copes at a time and to send the main parts of the first then the rest latter. And the re caps are good for me. I'm doing all right just stay a little tired most of the time misty is doing the same I ges that is OK she just keeps going the same way I do just are old age. Angel is the same tall and skine. Weather you wont believe it ben in the high 70s and low 80s can you believe that it is Tucson for you will be a hot summer I bet. I had shawn address but like a dum ass I deleted it will try next time I write if I can remember. He is going to court 14 feb and looks like he will be losing his driver license for a year and about 2,000.00 in finds all together around 10,000.00 a lot of money but that is DUI fore you will I am going to close now and will write every change I get Love all ways DAD.

THIS ONE WAS IN THE PAPERES I SEND TO YOU THAT  
WAS RETURN.

Hi son

Just got some return mail from the Warden there which had the last part of the Negotiable Instruments and I also had roberts letter in it and I believe that is why it was return. I look up Title 28 and it is all about the mail you can receive. Im going to write the warden and ask what part of that return was prohibited and that way I will know for sure. I hope it is not the copys of the book but will fine out when he writes me back. Beside that every thing is going good for me not much part time work for a while and that is ok for me. I havent heard from you for over a week hope you are not in trouble and that you are doing good. Going to send the letter that was in the page of the book that way you can see what I wrote. In about two years Im going to retire for good no more work if I live that long some times im not sure I will make it my old ticker is aching up some and rest of the old body is going hay wire to but will not quite un less the good lord call me home but im sure that wont be soon. So dont get all upset im still hanging in there. Misty is doing good she get tired a lot but I believe the job she has in getting to here a little now but she wont say so. Will going to close for now and write the warden wich me luck love you DAD.



Exhibit "c"

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23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2018

How are you my Soulmate?

Baby I got your letter dated 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb today (postmarked 15<sup>th</sup> Feb) What's the situ with your meal lately man?

Just a quick letter to say how much I love you and how I am so grateful to have you. I love you so damn much, I ache for you everyday.

I NEED to get some shit off my chest can you have kept it 100 with me from the jrac, I need to do the same. I am gonna have to more or less fall back from communicating with him, I can't do it no more Candice. I have kept my anger shut for months but it's too fucking much now.

I always thought about why you consistently told him not to embarrass you, over the last 3 months I have found out for myself. I feel like I am in some creepy 3 way relationship. Ok so you are wondering where this all come from? I have observed many mis-thruths that I have been told about you, your mum & some other trivial shit - I overlooked it as you tell me the real shit, so I just ignored it (but did not forget) NOW! End of Sommer you put her in check in those 2 letters, I explained to her that I wanted to cease phone calls until I get to speak with you (oh the phone I was very nice & explained I felt I was not getting an accurate picture painted of you. I continued to email her several times a day, this is where it all got started. Pay Attention!

Months ago I had with a friends dog over night as he had no heat in his house and it was a puppy. This person is Habibi, I have told you about him before, I do not see him much at all, only when I need to. He is a kid, a fucking ugly kid ok! The dog was so cute I sent him a pic of it and told her I was waiting it. (I'm following) I sent her the pic MONTHS ago! ok!

After I told her no more phone calls she contacted that email I sent to her back to me with the subject heading "secrets". No explanation for why she sent this old ass email back to me. I called her (but she wasn't) and said what are you getting at? She said "I told my daughter, I don't know if I can keep this from Candice." ?? I said "WTF are you talking about him?" (and yes I cursed at her) She said "You carrying on with this boy" Candice I lost it man! I said "Are you taking the piss him? You can find an email that I sent months ago when you told me you were for computer illiterate to get me into I need for Com BUT you can't find a letter in your house where you claim Com had said I had NO kids, the letter you read me literally days before. FYI Candice knows EVERYTHING about me and my life. I told him everything so just behave and do not make an issue out of nothing" She never expected me to be so mad & I told her I was mad. I said "this is why we need to stop talking through phone. I told so the vice no



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